

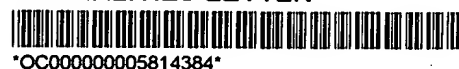


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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03 FC:202 80.00 CH

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$80.
 - \$80 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 500.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

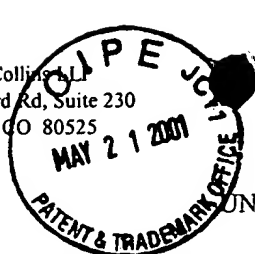
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PATENT APPLICATION

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Examiner:

Serial No.: 09/741,665

Group Art Unit: 2162

Filing Date: 12/18/2000

Title: Blind-supply Open Commerce Business System

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR SUBMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS FOR NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION (SMALL ENTITY)

Sir:

This is in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) mailed on March 1, 2001. Enclosed is a copy of said Notice and the following documents and fees to complete the filing requirements of the above-identified application.

- (X) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The above-identified application is the same application which the inventor executed by signing the enclosed declaration.
- (X) Substitute Drawings (11 pages) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84
- (X) Statutory basic filing fee \$355 (X) Utility () Design () Provisional
- (X) Additional claim fee of \$80.00
- (X) Missing Parts Surcharge \$65.00
- (X) Petition for Extension of Time for reply to Notice of Missing Parts is attached.
 - (X) one month (\$110)
 - () two months (\$390)
 - () three months (\$890)
 - () four months (\$1390)
- () Attached is a check for \$ 610.00
- (X) Please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1491 the amount of \$610.00.

At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1491 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In a Notice mailed on March 1, 2001, on the above-identified U.S. Patent application, a shortened statutory period of two months was set for response. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), applicant(s) hereby request(s) a:

- ☒ one month
- ☐ two months
- ☐ three months
- ☐ four months

time extension so that the period for response to the Office Action expires on June 1, 2001.

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